

General Assembly

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LCO No. 1148



Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by: (KID)

## AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PEDIATRIC AUTOIMMUNE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS ASSOCIATED WITH STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS AND PEDIATRIC ACUTE-ONSET NEUROPSYCHIATRIC SYNDROME.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2021) (a) Each individual health
- 2 insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in
- 3 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general
- 4 statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued
- 5 in this state on or after January 1, 2021, shall provide coverage for the
- 6 diagnosis and treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric
- 7 disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-
- 8 onset neuropsychiatric syndrome. Such treatment shall include, but
- 9 need not be limited to, the use of intravenous immunoglobulin therapy
- 10 and cognitive behavioral therapy.
- 11 (b) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the
- type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11), (12) and (16) of section
- 13 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed,
- 14 amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2021, shall

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provide coverage for outpatient prescription drugs approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for treatment of pediatric neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2021) (a) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2021, shall provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acuteonset neuropsychiatric syndrome. Such treatment shall include, but need not be limited to, the use of intravenous immunoglobulin therapy and cognitive behavioral therapy.

(b) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11), (12) and (16) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2021, shall provide coverage for outpatient prescription drugs approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for treatment of pediatric neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2021	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2021	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To require health insurance coverage for pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome.

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[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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